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SUBJECT: GUATEMALA CURRENTLY UNABLE TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDS FOR  
HAITI

REF: SECSTATE 52611

PolOff discussed reftel request with Carla Rodriguez,  
Director General for Multilateral Affairs, at the Foreign  
Ministry on March 11. Rodriguez said the current fiscal  
crisis facing the Guatemalan government (President Beger has  
ordered an austerity plan with most Ministries facing 30%  
budget cuts) prevents Guatemala from contributing funds to  
either the UN or International Committee of the Red Cross at  
this point.  
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